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Remarks

Applicants respectfully requests entry of the amendments and remarks submitted herein. Claim 36 has been amended. Support for the amendment to claim 36 can be found in the originally filed claims and throughout the specification. Claims 36-38, 47-48, 62, and 72 are currently pending. Reconsideration of the pending application is respectfully requested.

The 35 U.S.C. §112 Rejection

Claims 36-38, 47, 48, 62, and 72 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. In particular, the examiner indicated that the term "non-denatured" is not supported by the specification as originally filed, and therefore is considered new matter. The term "non-denatured" has been deleted and replaced with the phrase "in native conformation." Support for "in native conformation" can be found in the specification at page 15, line 22. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request that this rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph be withdrawn.

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The examiner is encouraged to contact Applicants' representative at the telephone number indicated below if necessary to further the prosecution of this matter.

Applicant believes that no further fees are due at this time. However, if further fees are required or credits due, please apply them to deposit account 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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